

## VAST SHIPMENTS OF MANUFACTURED GOODS

Record Second Only to That  
of 1900.

\$311,302,441 IN 9 MONTHS

Slumps in Copper and Iron and Steel  
Exports Last Year Nearly Re-  
covered—Cotton Figures.

According to the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, the exports of manufactures of the United States in the nine months ended with September, 1902, were larger than those in the corresponding period of any other year in the history of the country with the exception of 1900. The total for the nine months was \$311,302,441 against \$293,600,551 in the corresponding months of last year and \$228,578,243 in the corresponding months of 1900. Comparing 1902 with 1901, the increase is nearly 200 per cent.

The temporary reduction in exports of manufactures which occurred last year, due in part to the maintenance in the United States of extraordinarily high prices on copper and to the unusual demand for iron and steel manufactures, has in a large degree disappeared.

Copper exports have increased \$11,000,000 in the nine months ended with September, 1902, as compared with the corresponding months of 1901. The reduction in the exports of iron and steel manufactures in the nine months of 1902 compared with the corresponding period of 1901 is but \$2,000,000, though the increased home demand is shown in the fact that importations of iron and steel manufactures have meantime increased over \$12,000,000, the total for nine months of this year being practically double that for the same months of 1901. Cotton manufactures also show a marked growth in exports, the increase being nearly \$7,000,000 in the nine months of 1902, as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

## COAL SHIPMENTS INCREASE DAILY

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Chairman Thomas, of the Erie Railroad, in an interview today, denied the story printed yesterday that hard coal will be scarce all winter.

He said that the shipments of anthracite are increasing daily and that there is no reason why every reputable dealer cannot have enough coal to get along with.

A decided improvement in the supply of coal is expected within a week, as 100,000 tons of coal a day are now being mined in the Lackawanna Valley alone, including the Lackawanna, Delaware and Hudson, Erie, Ontario and Western, and Temple Iron Company mines.

## CHINESE LAUNDRY CHECKS.

Ingenuous Methods of the Celestials for  
Identifying Their Customers.

New York Evening Post.  
The ingenuity of the Mongolian mind is well displayed in the system of accounts and checks in the laundry business. If their written language were as scientific and accurate as our own, it would be an excellent creation, but they labor under many disadvantages which are unknown to the civilized world. There are no characters in Chinese for letters of any such simple variations as Roman and Arabic numerals. It is, therefore, impossible to translate or transcribe into Chinese such common marks as "A 1" or "TV 6." In place of this the Chinaman uses the ideographs for the commoner facts of life, such as "house," "moon," "dog," "lion," "bear," "table," "chair," and "street."

In addition to these, he employs the numeral characters from 1 up to 100.

A customer comes to a laundry unable to speak Chinese, and delivers his wash to a man unable to speak English. He receives in return a check containing two characters. One represents the day of the week or month, and the second one of the facts mentioned, such as "moon" or "lion." The slip is torn through the middle, upon the principle of the legal tender. It is impossible to imitate the torn piece that it will fit the half retained by the laundry. Then upon the day book of the laundry the proprietor enters under the day of the week or the months the ideograph moon or lion assigned to the customer, and beneath this the articles left to be laundered. He then takes down from the hook a lot of muslin tags, on which are written in indelible ink "moon" or "lion," 1, 2, 3, 4 and so on. One of these tags is affixed to each article, excepting the cuffs and collars. To these one tag is affixed, which is fastened by a strong thread or cord tied through the button-hole in each article. In addition to this article, to be torn, although this is not very common. When the goods are washed and ironed they are done up in a package, and the day and special character written on the outside. In addition to this the half ticket is fastened to it with a pin. When the customer enters he gives his half ticket up, and if he is known by sight the package is handed over to him. If he is not known, or is suspected of being a confidence operator, his half ticket is fitted to the laundry half ticket before the package is handed over.

## AUTOMOBILISTS ALL MAY BE LICENSED

Commissioners of Opinion That Operators of Every Style  
of Machine Should Be Skillful.

The District Commissioners have taken under consideration the subject of the examination and licensing of operators of mechanical vehicles propelled by power other than steam. The matter was brought to the attention of the Commissioners through a report of Lieut. T. B. Ames, of the First police precinct, upon the arrest of Thomas Robinson, charged with operating a gas-engine automobile without license.

It appears from the report that Robinson, a colored boy about nineteen years old, while endeavoring to run a locomobile on Pennsylvania Avenue, was arrested by Bicycle Policeman Harry A. Quall, because he was obviously unfamiliar with the operation of the machine, and had attracted a crowd in the vicinity. The case was taken to Police Court, and dismissed on the ground that a license is not necessary to run a vehicle propelled by means of gas generated from gasoline.

Major Sylvester forwarded to the Com-

missioners the report submitted by Lieutenant Ames, with the request that some definite instructions be given the department as to the requirements of operators of this style of a machine. Major Sylvester said that the police had instructions to see that all persons running machines propelled by steam power were provided with license therefor, but in a case of this kind, members of the force were at a loss to know how to act. He suggested that the Commissioners should require that men operating this style of vehicle should be as well equipped as those running the steam machines.

On motion of Commissioner West the matter has been referred to the Engineer Department for investigation and report whether it is possible, and practicable under the law to examine persons who operate automobiles propelled otherwise than by steam, with a view to issuing licenses to them. Mr. West concurred in the ideas advanced by Major Sylvester.

## MGR. ZALESKI TO BE APOSTOLIC DELEGATE

Unofficial Report He Will  
Succeed Mgr. Falconio.

It is credibly reported from Rome that Monsignor Zaleski is to succeed Monsignor Falconio as apostolic delegate to Canada. It is also said that Monsignor Sbarretti will succeed Monsignor Zaleski as apostolic delegate to India.

There is nothing officially known at the Papal delegation in this city as to these reports, but they are regarded as true.

Monsignor Sbarretti had been first decided upon by the Vatican as its representative in the Philippines, and it was the general impression that when he left Rome some time in August last he would proceed to the Philippines. His orders directed him to proceed to this city and await orders. Monsignor Sbarretti has been at the Papal delegation on waiting orders ever since, and it is the general opinion that he would gladly accept the post in India, which Rome dispatches give him.

## TROUBLES BEGAN EARLY.

NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 7.—Miss Rebecca Goodman, of Baltimore, and Alexander Miller, of Canada, were married in great style in the synagogue in Portsmouth last Saturday night. Yesterday morning the groom reported to Mayor Baird that his bride had gone off with another man after locking up their home so that he could not get in. A brother of the bride then swore out a warrant for Miller. The case will be heard in the police court today.

## THIS SAILOR HAD NERVE.

New York Sun.

Dr. T. H. Bean, of the United States Fish Commission, while on board the revenue cutter Bear, off Alaska, witnessed a remarkable case of nerve. A whaler signaled the cutter for medical aid. Dr. Bean was taken aboard. He found that a Kanaka sailor had had a foot smashed some weeks before by a horsehead of whale oil rolling on it.

The injured member was in a terrible state, and the man was evidently suffering intensely, although he gave no outward sign.

When the captain asked the doctor what he could do, the latter started to tell him to amputate. At that the sailor spoke up:

"Don't be afraid to tell me, doctor," he said. "I can stand it all right."

"Well, my man," responded Dr. Bean, "amputation is the only thing that will relieve you, but I have neither the necessary instruments nor anesthetics."

The sailor smiled.

"Don't mind about little things like that," he said.

"But—" began Dr. Bean.

The sailor smiled again.

"Oh, start in now," was all he said.

Dr. Bean had with him a case of pocket instruments for dissecting birds. When he pulled this out, the sailor seated himself on a cask, unceremoniously crossed his legs and held out the injured foot.

The doctor started to work. He first removed the toes with the bird knife, which hacked more than it cut. Then he found that up under the flesh the instep bone was affected for nearly an inch. So he had to cut in and turn back the flesh. Then with tweezers, for he had no saw, he snipped off the diseased part of the bone a little at a time.

That done he pulled the flesh down and sewed up the wound. After an hour's work he announced that the job was finished. And the sailor's foot had quivered nor a muscle in his face moved in pain.

Smilingly the sailor uncrossed his legs, slid off the cask, reached for the doctor's hand, shook it heartily, roared a grateful "I thank ye, sir," and then hobbled toward the fo'castle, whistling a rollicking sailor's jig.

## CIVIL SERVICE LAWS SHOULD BE CHANGED

Commissioners Say Promo-  
tion System Is Defective.

In its annual report to Congress the Civil Service Commission says that it does not feel justified in attempting to enforce any uniform system of promotions until there is an entire reclassification of the departmental service. For this reason the Commission will ask Congress to provide for a reclassification of the departmental service. The report advises that each department adopt a system of promotions for its own advantage, and even includes examinations which will best meet the requirements of the particular departments. The report says:

"The underlying cause which operates against promotion regulations based upon merit is the fact that there is no standard classification of clerical work. Promotion does not mean advance in grade of work, but simply an increase of salary; hence the difficulty of comparing the work of clerks for promotion. Throughout the departmental service we find that there are many instances of clerks doing exactly the same grade of work at \$1,600 or \$1,800 that they were doing when they entered the service at the lowest salary. Hence, before there can be a uniform system of promotion upon merit there must be a reclassification based upon the character of the work done. Promotion would then be made from one grade to another, and the work of persons employed within a special grade could be fairly and justly compared. There should be subdivisions within the grades, these subdivisions to be based upon a difference in salary, so that there would be opportunity for rewarding an efficient clerk within his special grade by gradual increase up to the highest salary within the grade.

"The 'rule of seniority' for promotions should not govern except in cases where all other qualifications are so equal that the appointing officer is unable to determine what clerk is entitled to promotion. Such instances are rare. A strict observance of the seniority rule must of necessity result in inefficiency and superannuation. It is to be remembered that reductions as well as promotions must be considered, and very often the rule of seniority prevents the reduction to a lower grade or salary of a clerk who is yearly or daily growing, by reason of age, more inefficient.

"The practice of transferring clerks to places other than in the lowest grade is another factor in preventing the successful enforcement of promotion regulations. It is hoped that the recent regulations regarding transfers will prevent much of the injustice caused by the old system of transfers, made almost wholly for the personal benefit of the clerk or by reason of personal or political influence. The various departments should not, of course, be embarrassed by refusing to allow the necessary readjustment and transfer of clerks in a manner that will best promote the public service, and the rule should be sufficiently elastic to permit transfers which the good of the public service requires. The Commission strongly urges that Congress provide for the reclassification of the entire departmental service."

## AN UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE.

Has it ever been your unhappy lot to be told by your physician that you must go to a hospital and submit to an operation? If so, you remember with what dread and shrinking you awaited the day when you must endure the knife. The present day surgeon appears to be possessed by a mania for operating, especially in cases of hemorrhoids, or piles, and while the greater number of the profession do not recommend this "last resort" unless they honestly believe it necessary, the fact remains that much needless operating is done, and the patient put to much expense and suffering for what? To obtain a possible temporary relief; these words are used advisedly, because in nine cases out of ten the affliction returns and the patient is just where he started from. Oftentimes he could be cured much more simply and easily by the use of such a remedy as the Pyramid Pile Cure; this has come to be recognized as the best remedy on the market for the painful disease named, and the druggists now sell more of it than all other pile remedies combined. The writer personally knows people who were afflicted with the worst form of bleeding and protruding piles, and who were permanently cured by the use of Pyramid Pile Cure. In every one of these cases the attending physician had assured the sufferer that only by an operation could he rid himself of the disease; so much for the infallibility of the doctors. This remedy, which is sold by all druggists at the low price of fifty cents, is in suppository form. It is applied directly to the parts affected, and performs its work quickly and painlessly. The Pyramid Drug Company, Marshall, Mich., will mail free to any address a book telling all about piles or hemorrhoids, their cause and cure.

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